

REMARKS

In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application. This Response is believed to be fully responsive to all issues raised in the Office Action dated January 6, 2011. Clarifying amendments are made to dependent claims 9, 20, 31 and 46. Claims 1-3, 5-13, 15-21, 23-25, 27-42 and 45-46 are pending.

Allowed and Objected to Claims

The pending Office Action indicates that claims 1-3, 5-13, 15-19, 23-25, 27-30, 32-42 and 45 are allowed and that claims 20, 21, 31 and 46 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome objections under 35 USC § 112, ¶4.

Amendments to Claims 9, 20, 31 and 46

Applicant currently amends claims 9, 20, 31 and 46. As to the dependency of claim 9, Applicant deletes reference to dependent claim 4, which was canceled, and includes alternative language (deletion of “and” and insertion of “or”).

As to the dependency of claim 20, Applicant replaces “19” with “18”. As to the dependency of claim 31, Applicant replaces “and” with “or”. Applicant respectfully submits that the amendment to multiple dependent claim 20 places singularly dependent claim 21 in proper form.

Applicant currently amends claim 46 to place it in proper dependent form, as helpfully suggested by the Office at page 3 of the pending Office Action.

Conclusion

For at least the foregoing reasons, pending claims 1-3, 5-13, 15-21, 23-25, 27-42 and 45-46 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the present application. Should any issue remain that prevents immediate issuance of the application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney to discuss the unresolved issue.

Respectfully Submitted,

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